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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

A Request For Continued Examination (37 CFR §1.114) was faxed today along with a Preliminary Amendment. We noted after faxing the Preliminary Amendment that it was not signed using a digital signature. Therefore, attached herewith is duplicate copy of the Preliminary Amendment which has been properly signed.

Respectfully submitted,

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